Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail

A WEEK'S NEWS.

CONGRESSIONAL presented from Mexican veterans, asking pensions. Mr. Hill called up the resolution asking the Secretary of the Interior to furnish copies of all papers relating to the transfer of the land grant of the New Orleans, Baton Rouge & Vicksburg Railroad company to the New Orleans Pacific Railroad company. After New Orleans Pacine Railroad company. After discussion the resolution was agreed to.... In the call of States there was a perfect flood of bills and resolutions offered, over two thousand being presented and the call was not half concluded. Among them was a resolution by Mr. Lamb, calling upon the Attorney General for an itemized account of the ex-penditures of the prosecution of the starroute cases. By Mr. Anderson, to prevent undue discrimination by railroad companies, and subjecting them to the control of States under certain circumstances; also to create postal telegraph; also to reduce the postage on drop letters to one cent; also a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Interor for information whether the Union Pacific complied with the provisions of the Thurman act. A resolution was adopted requesting the President to ascertain if Patrick O'Donneli. under sentence of death in England, is a citizen of the United States, and if so, whether tried and convicted in accordance with the municipal laws of Great Britain and the requirements of international law.

In the Senate, the 11th, Mr. Beck offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of the by over taxation. Mr Ingalls presented a petition pensioning ex-prisoners of war and granting soldiers and sailors who served ninety days in the late war one hundred and sixty acres of land... The avalanche of bills and petitions continued in the House. Mr. Robinson (N. Y.) offered a resolution of inquiry, calling on the Secretary of the Interior for calling on the Secretary of the Interior for information concerning the purchase of pub-lic lands by foreign noblemen, so called, and titled aliens, with their names and amount of acres purchased. Mr. Bingham introduced a bill for the relief of widows of railway postal class two cents for each ounce or fraction thereof. The Speaker laid before the House the message of the President transmitting the communication of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, asking an appropriation of \$60,-Secretary of the Interior in regard to the ur-gent necessity of action on the part of Con-

THE Senate, on the 12th, took up the resolution offered by Mr. Beck directing the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish information concerning the Sinking Fund, etc., and Mr. Beck addressed the Senate. After debate, the resolution was amended and adopted. Mr. Wilson called up his joint resolution proposinto executive session.....The House was not

THE session of the Senate on the 13th was principally devoted to the discussion of out of her carriage and killed. the proposed new rules. Mr. Van Wycks' resolution calling on the Secretary of the Interior for information relative to the transfer month, burned recently. Loss, \$20,000; inern Pacific Road, was adopted. A resolution by the same Senator calling for information of certain expenditures of the Department of Justice in connection with the star-route trial, of the Academy of Music, at Ch passed.....The House was not in session.

....The proceedings in the House were unim-

WASHINGTON NOTES.

recess, which will be taken in time to allow members to pass Christmas at home.

THE Republican National Committee met at Washington on the 12th, and on the third ballot selected Chicago as the place sitting on her back porch, which she supand June 8 as the time of holding the posed had been sent there by one of her and arrested the occupants. National Convention to nominate candi- neighbors. She took the bottle into the dates for President and Vice-President.

silver, of which we make so much account. and to more than three times the value of the precious minerals and coal and other minerals combined."

of them has been introduced in every Con- trade of the Pacific coast.

THE President recently sent the followof Arizona; Lawrence Weldon, of Illinois, Judge of the Court of Claims.

THE Republican Senatorial caucus recently nominated ex-Congressman McCook for Secretary of the Senate.

department. THE Postmaster-General has called on the city.

000,000 to \$4,000,000.

THE bill recently introduced by Senator legislative or judicial, who shall receive to death. from any railroad, banking or telegraph company free passes, tickets or stock. A provides for the retirement of enlisted men the rank held at the time of retirement.

the \$200,000 appropriation made last session to pay for Cherokee lands.

THE EAST. MARTIN, Citizens' candidate, was chosen

Mayor of Boston at the late election. THE Court-house at Butler, Pa., burned recently. The cupola, one hundred feet high, which contained a large bell and been following him for some time. number of important Orphans' Court docu- postmaster at Ames, Iowa. ments were destroyed. The building was

srected in 1852, at a cost of \$50,000; insurance \$25,000. FERDINAND WORTMANN, of West Hoboken, N. Y., burned in the sleeper Tolono, on the New York Central Railroad, died

from the effect of his injuries. If was said that four hundred men would be thrown out of work for a month by the destruction of the hoisting engines in the

Ors night recently an explosion took place in the rear of Kellogg's drug store, In Castleton, N. Y. The inmates of the bourt barely escaped. Howard Morse, clerk tamped out of a window. Mr. Witt, sick wife and little boy escaped by ladders, bundred cars of coke were burned. Loss land slide at Skelly Station, C., near Steuin thef night clothes. The drug store was

A PRIMARY election recently held in New | more, Md., burned recently. Carrie Mar | the fireman, slightly injured.

Orleans resulted in three killed and seven tin, aged thirty-two, jumped from the sec-

THE Standard Theater, a popular up-town

A serious riot took place the other night at the Blue Mountain tunnel, near Pittsburgh, Pa., between the Italian and negro laborers. During the night two of the latter broke into a shanty containing provisions and were discovered in the act. About one hundred Italians attacked the negroes with In the Senate, the 10th, a memorial was shotguns and pistols. The negroes being unarmed returned the assault with clubs and stones, but were finally forced to seek shelter after four of their number had been wounded, one fatally and the other three seriously. The next morning the rioting was renewed and the negroes were driven

THE WEST.

A TRAIN on the Union Pacific road was recently snow-bound for thirty-six hours, near Deer Trail, Colo., about one bundred

miles west of Denver. THE Union Rolling Mills at Cleveland, O., were mostly destroyed by fire the other norning. Loss on building, \$20,000; machiney, probably \$60,000.

SANFORD TOLL recently committed swicide by hanging himself in his cell in jail at Muncie, Ind. He was under sentence for twenty-one years for assault with in tent to kill the Sheriff.

JOHN McGINNIS, sixteen years old, was engaged with several companions in playing practical jokes upon a flagman at Treasury for information regarding the Sink- Shelby Station, O., when McGinnis ran in

> L. C. HOLMES was found dead in his room way home to Kearney, Mo., from Hot Springs. Heart disease was the trouble.

In the southern part of Madison County, Mo., the other day, William Boyer shot William Berry and Bart Kelley, and was clerks, killed in discharge of duty; also fixing the rate of postage on mail matter of the first- ly killed. Kelley died the next day and Berry was not expected to live. The In digging the foundation for a new

000 for the wants of his bureau; also a message transmitting the communication of the laborers, old miners, saw symptoms of tributed at the demise of a wealthy person. four per cent. The condition of wheat as gress for more adequate prevention of trespass on Indian lands.

The pressure was so great that several percompare pass on Indian lands. There was great excitement in town, and everybody was staking out claims.

JUDGE NOISY WATER was shot and killed from ambush, the other night, in the Indian Territory, while going home from Siloam Springs, it was said by Deputy Marshal Andrews and posse, who mistook ing an amendment to the Constitution relating to the civil rights of citizens. It was referred, after debate. The Senate then went looking for looking for.

THE wife of L. I. Johnson, of Holden, Mo., while recently out driving, was thrown

THE Kirkwood Hotel at Carrington, D. T., which had been completed only one surance, \$10,000. An intoxicated individual in the gallery

THE Senate was not in session the 14th. large audience surged toward the exit National Railroad. The authorities at with the household furniture. Loss, \$2,500; killed at Hull and several injured. A porthe exits on the main floor closed, and by other prominent officials are involved. The row escape. his efforts and those of people on the stage affair is assuming a serious national aspect. It is said that no legislation will be at- succeeded in reassuring the audience. The tempted in Congress until after the holiday galleries were emptied without any ser ous and inaction of officials." mishap occurring. The man who raised the disturbance was arrested.

MRS. JOHN MADDOX, of marshall, Mo., the other morning found a bottle of beer house, drank a portion herself, gave some In regard to the importance of forest to two of her children, aged respectively off the coast of Newfoundland. culture, the Commissioner of Agriculture ten and thirteen years, and handed the says: "The total value of forest products | balance to a negro man who was employed of the United States for the census year is about the house. About noon all four were estimated at \$700,000,000. In other words, taken with violent spasms accompanied by has commuted the sentence of two other the forest products exceed in value our much vomiting. A physician was called, Radicals sentenced to eighty-five years' crops of hay, rye, oats, barley, buckwheat, proper antidotes for poison administered imprisonment each. potatoes and tobacco taken together. They and the lives of the sufferers saved. The amount to ten times the value of gold and beer had been poisoned, but who did the dastardly deed was a mystery.

ian sugar production is confirmed. The stored at Alexandria belonging to one New Two-THIRDS of the bills introduced in the | quantity is estimated at 80,000,000 pounds, | York firm. House on the 11th were pension bills. One | sufficient to enable him to control the sugar

Four thieves crowded into a Rock Island train the other evening as the passengers last week. ing nominations to the Senate: Royal A. were getting off at the Union depot, at Kan-Johnson, of New York, Surveyor General sas City, and attempted to rob an old gentleman named Vanatta, of Newton, Iowa, whereupon the others fled.

In the case of the Pueblo lands in San nanza. Jose, Cal., in which the United States and J. A. THOMPSON, Acting Deputy Comp. | the city of san Jose claimed the title to two treller of the Treasury, was stricken with | hundred and fifty acres of land within the paralysis recently while at his desk in the city limits, the Commissioner of the Gener-

the Attorney-General for an interpretation | AT Havana, Ill., the other morning Miss of the act of March 3, 1883, providing for Edna Sisney, a girl of fifteen years, was the readjustment of salaries of post- watching by her sick father, when she fell year. The members of the National commasters in accordance with the act of June | asleep, and her clothing falling against the 12, 1866. A very large number of claims stove was set on fire. She awoke in a comhave been made by postmasters for back plete blaze, and, rushing out of doors, was lous to secure the convention, and has acpay under this act, and the amount in- enveloped in flame and her clothing com- tive friends. volved is variously estimated at from \$2,- pletely burned off to her waist. She was fatally burned.

JOHN BONNERS, a drunken brute living Vance to promote the faithful administra- in the vicinity of Rockville, Ind., recently tion of public offices, provides punish- locked his wife out doors because she rement by fine not exceeding \$5,000 and dis- fused him money. She went to the woods \$165,591,075. missal from office of any officer under the with her children and while building a fire

killed the other day in San Francisco, Cal. side of New Orleans, and made the best bill introduced by Representative Rogers | The tragedy was the result of seventeen | white sugar. years' litigation. McLaughlin was the in the United States army after thirty President of the Central Gas Light Com- was hanged in London at eight o'clock on years' service, with pay and allowances of pany, a large capitalist and land owner, the morning of the 17th. and ranked among the millionaires. He Colonel Boudinor entered suit recently was the promoter of the old overland mail ton, Tex., occupied by an old man named in the Supreme Court of the District of Co- route, which made considerable money in Carmichael, burned. When the flames were lumbia against Colonel Phillips, to recover | 1862. He contracted to build the Western | extinguished the charred remains of Car-\$22,500 alleged to have been received by Pacific Railroad from San Jose to Sacra- michael were found on the floor. It was Phillips from the Cherokee Nation, under mento for \$5,400,000, and sublet the grading supposed he was murdered and the house plea that the same was to be paid to certain and masonry work to Cox. Out of this fired to conceal the crime. His househigh officials for their influence in securing grew the law suits that led to the final keeper, Amelia Redmon, was arrested, and

CHARLES CUMMINGS was arrested at quaintance of hers. Denver, recently, for passing counterfeit money. It is charged that a few weeks ago he flooded the town of Sedalia, Colo., with the bogus stuff, and then, after disposing of a quantity in bulk to another party, left the country. A detective had

clock, fell with a tremendous crash. Frank Liddle was recently arrested at in Kansas City, damaged property to the Several persons were injured, one fatally. Lincoln, Neb., upon the charge of rifling amount of about \$10,000. The fire was registered letters while he w

> FRANK JAMES was released on bail at Kansas City, upon the charge of participating in the Blue Cut train robbery, but before leaving the court room was again arrested by an officer from Gallatin, Mo., upon a warrant charging him with the Dixon County, Neb., where her husband, murder of Captain Sheets. He was taken to Gallatin for trial.

Locust Gap Spring Colliery, at Mt. Carmel, shot and wounded his wife and then blew

THE SOUTH. THE Coosa River furnace, at Gadsden,

nearly \$150,000.

wounded, one of the latter being the ond story and was fatally injured. Susie Martin was caught on a mattress, but severely hurt. Ella Martin, artist and owner place of amusement in New York, was of the building, and her sister Mary, aged burned the other evening. Loss, \$75,000; sixty, were rescued by means of a ladder. BIG BILL KINNEY, who was acquitted of murder at West Union, W. Va., recently,

was taken from jail by a mob and hung the following night. COLONEL J. R. POWELL, aged sixty-nine, a wealthy planter of Washington County, Miss., was shot at Modoc Landing, recently, by Charles F. Robinson. The dispute was about a trifle.

JOHN W. GARRETT was recently unani-& Ohio Railroad for the twenty-sixth time. THE Red River coast line steamer Alexandria sunk recently, above New Orleans, with a cargo of 1,100 bales of cotton and 760 barrels of oil. The boat and cargo will probably be saved. The boat was valued at \$12,000 and insured for \$8,000.

A PASSENGER train on the Texas & St. near Gilmer, Tex., and a number of people badly hurt. Three freight trains were A PASSENGER train recently collided

were wrecked. J. F. Wilson, of Davisboro, Ga., was killed; O. H. and S. B. Stevens, of Barlow, Ga., badly wounded; Fanny Mike Falvey, a fireman, badly injured.

GENERAL.

trees uprooted, vessels damaged and a number of persons killed.

arising from the consumption of diseased of these committees. meat, but to protect German dealers in hog George R. Peck, for three years general products from American competition.

"Quintanine, Mayor of New Laredo, was January 1. Several robbers have escaped by the delay

CHOLERA still exists in some parts of

THE schooners Mayo, Sea Gull and

A RADICAL editor and his deputy have been condemned to death for participating in the recent revolt in Servia. The King

THE United States Consul General in Egypt has been instructed to see that all the rags shipped into this country are

THE business failures in the United ended December 14, were 325, against 302 capital stock is placed at \$2,000,000.

ADVICES were recently received at Ottawa (Canada) of the discovery of new gold mines in the Rocky Mountains, a mile when he knocked one of the rascals down, north of Padmore, British America. The find was reported to be an immense bo-

THE LATEST.

Among the leading Democratic members of Congress the opinion prevails that the al Land Office recently decided in favor of National Democratic Convention will be held in the West. Chicago is working quietly but diligently to secure it and thus monopolize the National Conventions next mittee for Iowa and Minnesota have declared for Chicago. Louisville is also anx-

THE value of exports of breadstuffs in November 1883 was \$14,657,325 against \$15,-290,494 for the same time last year; for the eleven months ended November 30, 1883, \$159,709,456; corresponding time last year

CHARLES H. WALKER'S sugar house, near United States Government, executive, her clothing took fire and she was burned Franklin, Bayou Fouche, La., burned recently. Loss, \$65,000; insurance, \$20,000. CHARLES McLaughlin was shot and It was the largest refinery in the State out-

PATRICK O'DONNELL, the slayer of Carey,

THE other night a small house in Galvesthe police were looking for a male ac-

THE trestle used in erecting the new canal bridge at Crescent, Saratoga County, N. Y., fell recently, precipitating five men twenty feet to the canal bottom. All were injured, four probably fatally. A RECENT fire in the Diamond Block, at

the junction of Main and Delaware streets, caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp. HON. DUDLEY C. HASKELL, member of Congress from the Second District of Kan-

sas, died at Washington on the 16th. SIOUX CITY, IOWA, has a local heroine in the person of a Mrs. Todd, who recently secured her eight-year-old daughter under adverse circumstances. She journeyed to from whom she had separated, was living. drove to the house at night alone, entered Ar San Francisco, Cal., the other day, the child's sleeping room through a win-Florence Vincent, a Spanish Artic whaler, dow, took the child to a conveyance, drove twenty miles to a point opposite Sioux out his own brains. Jealousy was the City, and at two o'clock in the merning

induced a man to ferry herself and child across the river. THE other morning the east-bound freight Ala., was recently destroyed by fire. Four train on the Pan Handle Road ran into a benville, and was wrecked. Trolinger, the THE residence of Ella Martin, of Balti engineer, was killed, and David Versel, other day.

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

JOHN MOFFITT's residence, on the corner of Eighth and Polk streets, Leavenworth, was entirely destroyed by fire the other morning. Loss about \$3,000; partially covered by insurance.

CONGRESSMAN MORRILL has been informed by the Attorney General that as soon as District Attorney Hallowell furnishes an opinion that the old tax sale certificates are not a lien upon the property, payment will be made for the site of the Leavenworth public buildings.

Post-office changes in Kansas for the week ended December 8: Establishedmously elected President of the Baltimore Gale, Marion County, John W. Smith, postmaster; Jackson, Russell County, Robert S. Jack, postmaster. Names changed-Lorette, Kingman County, to Oakland; William E. Hommar, postmaster. THE mouthly report of the State Agent to the Statistical Department at Washington showed that the eastern two-thirds of the State, in which three-fourths of the Louis Railway was wrecked the other night | corn crop has been produced this year, is in the main withholding the crop from the market. The only corn that is being sold wrecked on the same road the night before. is that which is called "rent corn," or that which is produced by farmers upon rented with a freight train on the Georgia Central | land, and which must be sold as soon as it Railroad, south of Savannah. Both trains is fit. There is a well defined hope among .armers that the price will soon advance. It has been said that the only export corn grown this year in the United States comes Freeman, of Milledgeville, leg broken and from Kansas, and this having been promulgated among farmers has had the effect of strengthening the hopeful feeling above referred to. The past two seasons of plenty Another fearful massacre has befallen have placed the farmers upon a much beta detachment of the Egyptian army. ter financial footing than they have ever cargo, at (3),000. ing Fund, which he stated was being kept up front of a freight train and was instanly While on the march from Suakim to Ber- had before in the State, and they are now ber, on December 2, at the halting place, able to hold their product for an advance, thirty miles from Suakim, a force of eight or purchase stock and feed it upon their in a hotel, near the Union depot, in Kansas hundred negroes and Bashi Bazouks were own farms. The numbers of both cattle City, the other morning. He was on his utterly annihilated by adherents of the and hogs have advanced over the previous Faise Prophet. The fight only lasted twenty | year, and a large per cent. of the crop will be fed in the State without reference to any GREAT BRITAIN was torn by a terrible advance in the price that may be made. tornado on the 12th. Towns were flooded, Both Irish and sweet potatoes are lower in churches and other buildings demolished, price this season than they have been for several years, the area of both having been much larger this season than ever before, At Moscow (Russia) recently, an im- and the product heavier than for several mense throng of poor people gathered be- years. The area of winter wheat has infore the house of a merchant, lately de- creased as compared with last year ten ceased, to receive the money usually dis- per cent., and the area of rye has increased "pay dirt." They immediately gave it a The pressure was so great that several per- compared with an average year is 104, and

It was reported from Washington that Mason, United States Consul at Basle, there was recently a preconcerted move-Switzerland, asserts, and supports the as- ment made by the agents and attorneys of sertion by proof, that not only does the the land grant railroads to prevent Con-Government of Germany prohibit the im- gressman Anderson from being assigned to portation of American pork for sale and either the Pacific Railways or Public Lands consumption within its own territory, but Committees. This fact coming to the forbids the transit of American hog prod- knowledge of the anti-monopoly members, icts through its territory to other count they promptly exerted their influence with tries, even in sealed cars. The real object | Speaker Carlisle to nullify the efforts of of the prohibitory regulations are not to the railroad ring, and it was believed Mr. was killed. The Pool cabs were overturned guard the people of Germany from danger Anderson would be placed on one or both and many buildings damaged. At Lin-

solicitor of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa fast Harbor. At South Shields vessels A SPECIAL from Monterey, Mex., says: Fe Railroad, has resigned, to take effect

ordered arrested as one of the principals in The residence of John Moffit, in Topeka, other night set up the cry "fire," and a the recent train robbery on the Mexican was burned the other morning, together were saved of the crew. Two persons were doors. In consequence, the manager had Tamaulipas refused to surrender him and insurance, \$2,000. The family had a nar-

November 7, in Osage County on suspicion chester. At Dewsbury three were killed. of being implicated in the McMillen murder, which occurred at Emporia on the at Liversedge. A portion of the roof of St. night of November 3, recently made a con- Mary's Church, Berwick, was destroyed. THE police of Dublin recently seized a Jession of his guilt to the officials and quantity of arms, ammunition and accou-stated that his accomplice in the crime was trements in a private house in that city Elmer Reed, who got a silver watch worn by the victim of the tragedy, while Pierce At Bradford monuments in the cemetery sook the money, about \$25, for his share of and a pertion of the depot of the Midland Rattler were lost during the recent storm, the plunder. There was great excitement over these discoveries.

> Kas., located upon one of the most public of West Lancashire and in the Garstang thoroughfares, was robbed the other evening soon after dark while scores of people were passing the street. The goods stolen amounted to about \$300.

THE Kansas City Stock Yards Company of Kansas City, Kas., has been organized grated to-day in the County Jail in this and filed articles of incorporation with the city. Among the twenty prisoners con-THE rumor that Claus Spreckles, of San thoroughly disinfected before shipment. It Secretary of State. The purposes for fined, there are six desperate characters-Francisco, had cornered the entire Hawai- is said six thousand bales of rags are which the corporation is formed, as ex. Michael Mooney, who butchered his cellpressed in the charter, are the construction, mate: Skinney Hopkins and John Obern, maintenance and operation of Union Stock who entered the house of an aged couple Yards and such buildings, hotels, railways near this place and at the point of a re-States and Canada, for the seven days and switches as may be necessary. The volver forced them to give up \$600; Lewis

ABOUT two weeks ago the wife of a Topeha stone mason packed up and left. Some Clark. These notorious criminals have time afterwards she was found in Atchison. and declared she prefered a life of shame the corriders of the jail with the other pristo living with the husband, who she alleged oners, and the Jailer yesterday suspected abused and mistreated her.

A COMPANY that has been boring for oil in Wyandotte, recently struck oil at a that it was done to divert attention from depth of three hundred feet. Tin cans and buckets were filled and taken away to show. and Jersey Creek that runs through the city had a decidedly oleaginous appear-

found in paying quantities. JESSE LEE, aged seventy was killed by a

freight train at Cherryvale. WHILE recently digging a well at Tonganoxie, J. H. Henly was overcome by gas sixty-two feet below the surface, and gave locked in their cells and a close watch kept the signal to be drawn up. When within apon them. twenty feet of the top he fainted and his foot slipped through the noose and caught around his leg. In this way he was brought to the surface and there found to be in an A Mr. Reed, aged thirty-three, a native insensible condition. It was feared he would not recover.

prison, at Fort Leavenworth 467 prisioners. ployed as Inspector on the Kansas City, During the past year there were mannfac- Springfield & Memphis Railroad, distured 65,000 pairs of boots and shoes, 30,000 appeared from his boarding place, brooms, 4,000 barrack-chairs, and a large Mr. George Reed's east of amount of harness and other articles useful McAdams', on Tuesday of last week, in the army.

FORTY-TWO wax casts of apples exhibited He had a large can of some kind of material at the recent State Fair were placed in po- which he claimed was a new varnish for sition recently in the rooms of the State buggies, and he left on Tuesday morning Department of Agriculture at Topeka. The stating that he had a contract a short discasts are all painted and striped very nat- tance southwest of the city, and as he left urally, and, it is said, present a beautiful said not to keep dinner waiting for him as

appearance, true to nature. Kansas continues to boom.

MRS. EMILINE ABBEY, widow of the late Nelson Abbey, was found dead in her bed at her residence in Walhena the other morning. She retired the night previous in apparent good health, but an inquest hour this morning, Adolph Fredenhagen, held by the coroner developed the fact that tying in bed beside his wife, inserted the she had been a sufferer from heart disease, muzzle of a revolver between his teeth and which was the cause of her death. She had | put a bullet in his brain, dying almost in- erty situated on the east front of the Capiresided in Doniphan County with her late stantly. The deceased was a leading busi- tol, and now owned by parties who have husband for more than twenty-five years. ness man in this district, and reputed had influence enough so far to prevent the Fireman's Fund, of California. HARVEY MATNEY, a prominent farmer, wealthy. He conducted extensive flouring erection of a library building elsewhere, living two miles west of Rosedale, was mills at St. Charles, and had built up an although the Government owns several found dead in his bed at an early hour the other morning. His death was caused by happy in his domestic relations, having a charming wife and an interesting family of the million is asked for the purchase of a site, and another half a million to be a site, and another half a million heart disease.

POSTMASTER CHALK, of Armstrong, was reported short in his accounts \$332, which his bondsmen immediately made good. difficulty is the attributed cause. Deceased was a highly educated and intelligent man. his bondsmen immediately made good. THE State Imbecile Asylum at Lawrence took fire the other night. After the fire was extinguished and the Superintendent, Mr. Green, had retired he heard a noise as if glass was being broken out of the front

About six o'clock this evening Wesley Cashman, a coupler in the yards of the part of the building. He went to look out, and while there three shots were fired at | body, mangling his right arm and almost him. Investigation showed that the door of Mr. Green's private office had been crushed in and things generally demolished. Mr. Green went to Topeka to get Governor Glick to offer a reward for the party. CHICKEN thieves continue to worry the people at North Topeks. M. L. DEVOR, a Topeza blacksmith,

SWALLOWED BY THE SEA.

Four Missing Vessels with their Crews Whose Fate will Probably Not be Known Until the Sea Gives Up Its Dead.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 12. Four merchant vessels which set sail at different periods since the 27th of last July with large cargoes and crews of trusty men have never been heard from, and are given up for lost. Altogether they had on board forty seamen, who are supposed to have gone to the bottom of the depths. The financial loss, should the four crafts never appear, will be at least \$135,000. One of the ill-fated vessels is the new schooner Joseph Hilton, owned in this city to a large extent, principally by John Barry, of No. 95 Fairmount avenue, and J. McCracken,of Camden, N. J. She was manned by Captain O. H. P. Rogers and a crew of seven men, and set sail from Darien, Ga., whence she sailed on September 4 for Newburyport, Mass., with a cargo of 400,000 feet of yellow pine. The vessel and cargo were worth \$50,000. The schooner Earl H. Potter, Captain

Dyser, another of the overdue vessels, sailed from Philadelphia June 20 for New York via Pensacola, where she arrived during the month of August, clearing on the 23d for New York with 350,000 feet of lumber. She carried a crew of eight men, and with her cargo was worth \$30,000. The bark Fannie H. Loring, Captain Soule, sailed from this port on November 7,

for Portland, Me. She carried a crew of ten men, all told, and, with her cargo of coal, was worth \$25,000. The Norwegian bark Protector, Captain Jarguson, which sailed from Hamburg on July 27, for this port, with a general cargo, has not been seen since she passed the Eddystone Light on August 27. She carried a crew of ten men, and was valued, with her

DEATH DEALING GALES.

ferrible Devastation Caused by Severe Gales in England-Buildings Demolished, Shipping Destroyed, Lands Submerged and Many Lives Lost.

There were violent gales throughout Eng-

land last evening, and much damage was

done in London and the provinces. At

LONDON, Dec. 12.

Wolverhampton the Exhibition Building, which was only partially completed, was destroyed. At Newry, lamp-posts in the streets were bent. Much property has been destroyed on land and sea and many lives lost. Huge trees were torn up and carried away. The low-lying districts of Birmingbam were flooded. A portion of the church of St. Chad, Deroy, was demolished. The Congregational Church there was also damaged. The parish church Rotherhall was much injured. Chimney shafts were thrown down at Manchester, Leeds, etc. A large gas-holder near Bradford was capsized and the Chemical Works at Widnes were damaged. The Leicester Carriage Works were destroyed. At Birkenhead great damage was done. The chief officer of a steamer just arrived from Glasgow coln the parapet of the tower of the Cathedral was blown down. A ship was blown from its moorings in Belbroke adrift. Three wherries were sunk. The British ship Liverpool, from Quebec for Greenock, is a total wreck near Stranraer Scotland. Only a man and a boy tion of Portsmouth is flooded. At Hartlepool many ships were damaged. At Birmingham two persons were killed and a JOHN PIERCE, who was arrested about number injured. Three were killed in Man-At Chester a man was blown down in the street and killed. Two persons were killed Several houses in the suburbs of Nottingham were blown down. At Kildwick the gasometer was demolished. The postal relegraph inspecter was cut in two at Leeds. Railway were blown down. Several vesels docked in the Mersey were damaged. I'wo vessels were wrecked off Dunare. Bowman's tailor shop in Kansas City. Scotland, and two men drowned. Lowlands District are flooded. At Glasgow the dam-

age to property is very great. An Attempted Jall Breaking Frustrated. JOLIET, ILL., Dec. 12. An attempted jail delivery was frus-Jackson, a colored burglar, and two footpads named Mollie Burns and Nelson been in the habit of dancing and singing in something wrong from the regularity and system of these matince performances. Ha instituted a secret watch and discovered one of their number, who was industriously sawing at the bars of an obscure outside window. They were immediately locked up and deprived of the saw. An examination of the window showed that one of the ance. It remains to be seen if oil has been bars was sawed off at the top and partially sawed off at the bottom. Had they been allowed to keep up their performance one or two days more the desperate Mooney and the whole gang would have turned themselves loose upon the community. They will not be permitted to exercise in the corridors any more, but will be securely

Mysteriously Missing.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 12. of Wisconsin, but whose parents are supposed now to reside in the vicinity of On June 30, there were in the Military Newark, N. J., and who was recently emand has not been heard from since. he might not be back before night. He departed in the above direction and has not been seen or heard from since.

Sad Suicide.

ELUIN, ILL., Dec. 12. At St. Charles, this county, at an early four children, the eldest of whom is but fifteen years of age. Threatened financial

Fatally Injured. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Dec. 12.

Western & Atlanta Railroad, fell under the wheels of a car, which passed over his severing his right leg at the thigh. The physician in attendance states that both leg and arm will have to be amputated leg and arm will have to be amputated close to the body, but thinks the man will die before the operation can be performed. Some time ago Cashman lost an eye in the yards of the W. & A. Company, and the company had agreed to pay him \$1.500 damages. The man had written to his wife, who lives in Atlanta, Ga., telling her he would start for home to-morrow evening. He will probably go to his wife a corresponding to the start of the start of the will probably go to his wife a corresponding to the start of the st dropped dead at his forge, in that city, the He will probably go to his wife a corpse,

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

The Senate Committees Decided on in Caucus-Proposed Legislation in the Inter-

est of Settlers on Public Lands, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10. The Republican caucus of the Senate this morning simply fixed up the committees, and adjourned to Thursday to consider the subject of electing officers. Anson B. Me-Cook, of New York, and Mr. McPherson, Clerk of the last House, are candidates for Secretary, the former especially having quite a number of warm advocates. Canady, of North Carolina, is gaining ground on Colonel Geo. W. Hooker, under the leadership of Sherman, Logan and Conger.

as Chairman of Foreign Affairs, displacing

Edmunds, who was next in order for the

position, but he preferred to retain the Ju-

diciary. The only new Senator on this

committee is Wilson, of Iowa. The only change in the Committee on Finance was to add Miller, of New York, Mr. Morrill remaining Chairman. The Committee or Appropriation remains the same, Mr. Allison at its head, with the addition of Call, of Florida, in place of Davis, of West Virinia. Several of the new Senators have laces on the Committee on Manufactures, Riddleberger, of Virginia, being Chairman, Sabin, Dolph and Colquitt being among his colleagues. Mailer, of New York, supplants Mahone as Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture. The only change in the Committee on Military Affairs, of which Logan is Chairman, is to add Camden in place of Grover, Cameron, of Pennsylvania, was left at the head of the Committee on Naval Affairs, with Anthony second. Mr. Hale, the third on the Committee, will be de facto Chairman. Hill, of Colorado, takes the head J. W. GORE, Prop. of the Post-office and Post Roads Committee, Senator Ferry's old place. this committee Palmer and Wilson, the new Senators from Michigan and Iowa, are added. Plumb continues at the head of the ommittee on Public Lands, Manderson, of Nebraska, is placed on the Committee on Private Land Claims, Territories and Transportation Routes to the Seaboard. Dawes keeps Indian Affairs, and Mitchell gets Pensions, on which are Cullom and Sabin. McMillan is on Revolutionary Claims, and is Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Cameron, of Wisconsin, is Chairman of the Committee on Claims, and Ingalls is Chairman of the Committee on the District of Columbia, with Palmer and Riddleberger among his colleagues. Platt has Patents and Harrison Territories. Sawyer is Chairman of the Committee on Railds, on which are Cullom and Sabin. Wilson is Chairman of the Committee on Mines and Mining, and Conger on the Revision of the Laws. Blair keeps Education and Labor, and Hawley Civil Service and Retrenchment. Van Wyck is Chairman of the Committee on the improvement of the Mississippi River, and Aldrich succeeds Harrison at the head of Transportation Routes to the Seaboard. Cullom is Chairnan of the committee to examine several branches of the civil service. The Democrats are given the Chairmanships of the mmittees on Private Land Claims, Revlutionary Claims, Engrossed Bills, Epilemic Diseases, Claims Against Nicaragua, Potomac Flats and Library. Mahone has the Chairmanship of Public Buildings and Grounds, a very important place. Of the

Manderson, Bowen and Pike were not given chairmanships. The Democratic caucus made the following assignments: Private Land Claims, Bayard; Engrossed Bills, Saulsbury; Epidemic Diseases, Harris; Revolu Claims, Maxey; Library, Voorhees. Jonas replaces Barrow on Elections. Vance and Brown succeed Johnston and Call on Forgein Affairs. Call replaces Davis of West The bill of Mr. Washburne, of Minnesota,

new Republican Senators, Sabin, Palmer,

to be introduced in the Honse to-morrow, is important to would-be settlers on public land, and will no doubt receive a great deal of attention in Congress, the text of it is as Section 1. That the pre-emption laws,

together with all laws authorizing the filing of declaratory statements for entering pub lic lands by agent or attorney, be, and the same are hereby, repealed; provided, however, that this repeal shall not affect the disposal of the lands under treaty stipulation with Indian tribes, nor be deemed to impair any legal rights heretofore acquired under laws hereby repealed, but all existing settlements, entries or filings may be perfected upon proper proof of lawful and bona fide character of said claims, and of due compliance with the provisions and requirements of the laws under which such settlement or filings were made; provided, further, that any person who has not heretofore had the benefit of the pre-emption laws, and who failed from any cause to perfect title to a tract of land heretofore entered by him under the homestead laws,

may make a second homestead entry in lieu of pre-emption privilege hereby re-Sec. 2. That no person who has made or hereafter shall make a homestead entry of public lands shall be entitled to avail himsalf of the provisions of section 2,301 of the Revised Statutes of the United States until he shall have resided upon, cultivated and made actual improvement on the land em-braced in such entry for the full period of thirty months, and it shall be the duty of the General Land Office to require evidence of actual compliance with the requirements of the law in respect to settlement, residence, improvement and cultivation in all cases in which title now is or may hereafter be claimed under homestead or other settlement or improvement laws of the United States.

Sec. 3. That any person applying for the benefits of timber-culture laws shall make his entry in person at the proper local land office, and shall make affidavit that he is an actual resident of the State or Territory in which the land is situated, and that he has entered into no contract or agreement to relinquish the entry he may make, and that he has no present or prospective purpose to make such relinquishment; and the offering for sale as a matter of traffic, speculation or relinquishment of public land entries shall be deemed prima facie evidence that such entries were made for speculative purposes and not in good faith, as required by law, and such entries shall thereupon be repealed and cancelled by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and the land covered thereby shall be deemed subject to entry by the first legal applicant. The first section of the act of May 14, 1880, authorizing lands covered by relinquished claims to be held as open to settlement or entry without further action of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and all other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed; provided also that when the timber-culture entry shall have once been made on a tract public land subject to such entry and the same shall be canceled or relinquished. the land covered thereby shall thereafter be subject to entry only under the timberculture laws, and no patent shall be issued for such land until the requirements under such laws shall have been fully com-

plied with. The Congressional Library Building Pro-

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10. Senator Voorhees to-day again introduced his bill for constructing a Congressional Library building. This covers the purchase of a site of some valuable propmillion to begin the construction of the building, but the estimates as first submitted contemplated the expenditure of \$3,000,000.

Hempen Arguments with Burglars.

DELTA, O., Dec. 10. Last night a large number of masked aung up and the mob went away. The watchman cut the men down but they are still in a critical condition. Nearly all of colock the next married and at ten their companions have left town.

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